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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Status on HR-382: Federal Employees Health Care
Freedom of Choice Act

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- 1. This Bill, introduced by Representative Rose Mary Oakar (D., OH) on 6 January, requires FEHBP to reimburse additional "qualified nurses, nurse practitioners, nurse anesthetists, clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists and, chiropractors for covered services rendered to Federal enrollees." The Subcommittee on Compensation and Benefits favorably reported the Bill to the full Committee on Post Office and Civil Service on 19 May 1987.
- 2. From the comments received back, we have <u>no valid</u> reason for seeking exemption. OMS strongly protests the inclusion of chiropractors, hardly the basis for CIA relief.
- 3. OPM opposes the Bill and a staffer on the Post Office and Civil Service Committee reports that it is highly unlikely any action will be taken on the Bill. "There is no support outside the Committee for the Bill."
- 4. The bottom line is that I $\underline{\text{will no longer track}}$ the Bill. If it should pass, we $\underline{\text{will include CIA}}$.

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